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Applicant: Lee et al. Art Unit: 1646
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Sir:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing an Appeal Brief in response to the Final Office Action mailed May 19, 2003.

The requested extension is for one month, extending the period for filing the Appeal Brief from December 19, 2003 to January 19, 2004 (a holiday).

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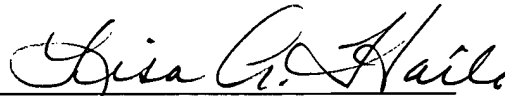
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Respectfully submitted,

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